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Washington letter

# Jackie on the beach

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**Spy no more**

CIA Director and Mrs. Dick Helms were there and everybody was moaning over his departure from the top intelligence job. But Cynthia said, "I just as soon see him leave now when all is well, and I think 6½ years is long enough in a very tough job. There is so much tension and so many people not liking the facts he has to produce. He feels that everyone should retire when he is 60—he put in that requirement—and he'll be 60 in March. I am really very happy about it." But at that point they were mum about the new post.



Richard Helms, of the CIA, seems unperturbed that he's lost his job as does Mrs. William Rogers, wife of the Secretary of State (who, incidentally, is keeping his job).